

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) A ventilation device comprising a fan capable of being driven rotationally by an open electric motor which is firmly attached to a support intended for fixing said ventilation device, the fan consisting of a plurality of blades which are distributed regularly around a bowl inside which there are arranged internal ribs capable of ventilating said open electric motor, wherein characterised in that the support comprises a central part which is connected in a substantially sealed manner to at least one peripheral portion of the open electric motor.
2. (Currently Amended) A ventilation device according to Claim 1, wherein characterised in that the central part of the support comprises a through hole, the cross-section of which is substantially complementary to that of the open electric motor, said through hole being intended to receive said open electric motor.
3. (Currently Amended) A ventilation device according to Claim 2, wherein characterised in that the through hole is delimited by an inner edge which cooperates by continuous contiguous contact with a portion of the peripheral surface of the open electric motor.
4. (Currently Amended) A ventilation device according to Claim 3, wherein characterised in that the inner edge cooperates by continuous contiguous contact with the lateral wall of the open electric motor.
5. (Currently Amended) A ventilation device according to Claim 3, wherein characterised in that the inner edge cooperates by continuous contiguous contact with a peripheral portion of the rear part of the electric motor.
6. (Currently Amended) A ventilation device according to Claim 1, wherein characterised in that the central part of the support comprises a blind hole which is capable of at least partially receiving the open electric motor, the bottom of said blind hole extending substantially opposite the rear part of said open electric motor.

7. (Currently Amended) A ventilation device according to Claim 6, wherein characterised in ~~that~~ the bottom of the blind hole is firmly attached to the rear part of the open electric motor.
8. (Currently Amended) A ventilation device according to Claims 6, wherein characterised in ~~that~~ the bottom of the blind hole is capable of constituting the rear part, forming a plate, of the open electric motor.
9. (Currently Amended) A ventilation device according to Claim 1, wherein characterised in ~~that~~ the central part of the support is capable of holding the electric motor by clipping.
10. (Currently Amended) A ventilation device according to Claim 1, wherein characterised in ~~that~~ the central part of the support is capable of holding the electric motor by tight fitting.
11. (Currently Amended) A ventilation device according to Claim 1, wherein characterised in ~~that~~ the central part comprises an so-called active surface, which is positioned opposite the bottom of the bowl and which has a concave shape capable of facilitating the flow of the air from the inside to the outside of said bowl.
12. (Currently Amended) A ventilation device according to Claim 11, wherein characterised in ~~that~~ the active surface of the central part has a cross-section in the shape of a quarter of a circle whose two ends extend respectively substantially axially at the inner edge of the central part, and substantially transversally at the outer edge of said central part.
13. (Currently Amended) A ventilation device according to Claim 1, wherein characterised in ~~that~~ the central part comprises a so-called active surface, which is positioned opposite the bottom of the bowl and which has a substantially flat shape extending substantially linearly.
14. (Currently Amended) A ventilation device according to Claim 1, wherein characterised in ~~that~~ the central part comprises an so-called active surface, which is positioned opposite the bottom of the bowl and wherein the active surface ~~which~~ extends discontinuously.
15. (Currently Amended) A ventilation device according to Claim 1, wherein characterised in ~~that~~ the central part has an annular shape, the outer edge of which extends substantially opposite that of the bowl, and the inner edge of which delimits a hole of circular cross-section.

16. (Currently Amended) A ventilation device according to Claim 1, ~~wherein characterised in that~~ the support also comprises a peripheral part, forming a frame, which is connected to the central part by at least one support arm.
17. (Currently Amended) An engine cooling device, ~~wherein characterised in that it~~ the engine cooling device comprises at least one ventilation device according to Claim 1.
18. (Currently Amended) A motor vehicle, ~~wherein characterised in that it~~ the motor vehicle comprises at least one ventilation device according to Claim 1.